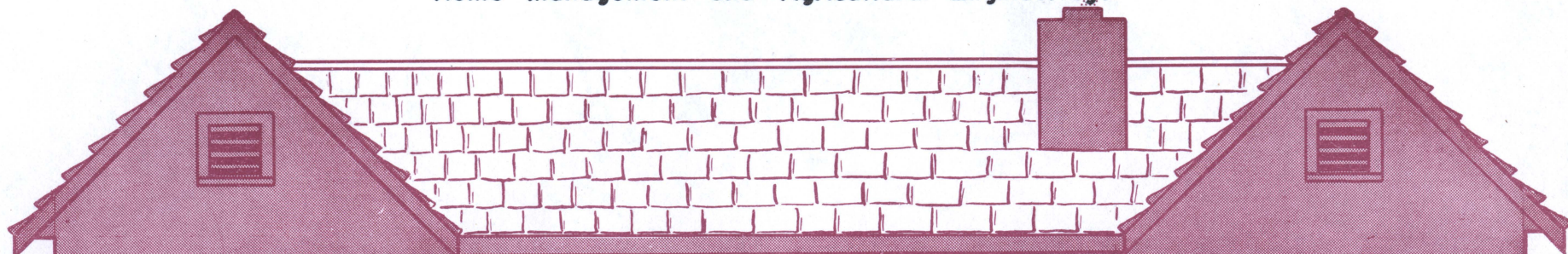


WHAT'S AHEAD IN 1949 FOR RURAL HOUSING ?

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RURAL HOUSING SITUATION

Increased spending by rural families for housing and home improvement. This spending trend is apt to continue.

Cost of acceptable housing too high for many families.

Four of five farm homes lack modern bathrooms.

Two of three farm houses still lack running water.

The job of improving rural housing has only started.

PRICES AND SUPPLIES

Prices of construction materials have increased steadily, but the rate of price increase is slowing down.

Prices are not likely to decline soon.

Production of building materials has increased, but this record production is still behind increased construction volume.

MATERIALS IN VERY SHORT SUPPLY

Some types of lumber	Wire nails
Cast iron soil pipe	Cement
Galvanized steel	
Water closets and flush tanks (limited)	

WHAT CAN BE DONE

Greater standardization in dimensions of the house, materials and equipment.

Better and more efficient construction methods. Use power tools and labor saving equipment when possible.

Investigate the use of new materials and new uses for old materials.

Study your requirements and plan carefully before starting to build.